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C O N F I D E N T I A L BONN 04701

E. O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, GW, YO

SUBJECT: BRANDT' S TRIP TO YUGOSLAVIA

1. FONOFF DESK OFFICER FOR YUGOSLAVIA TELLS US THAT FRG IS HIGHLY PLEASED WITH PREPARATIONS BEING MADE FOR BRANDT' S TRIP. WE UNDERSTAND THE CHANCELLOR WILL BE IN BELGRADE APRIL 16-17, IN BRIONI APRIL 18-19, AND WILL THEN REST FOR A SHORT TIME AT AN (UNNAMED) ADRIATIC RESORT.

2. FONOFF SEES ONLY TWO PROBLEMS IN BILATERAL RELATIONSHIP THAT MIGHT TROUBLE VISIT:

(A) INDEMNIFICATION PAYMENTS. THERE IS AWARENESS ON BOTH SIDES THAT EXISTING " AGREEMENT TO DISAGREE" CONFIDENTIAL

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CANNOT BE OVERCOME DURING BRANDT VISIT. NEVERTHELESS, YUGOSLAVS HAVE MADE CLEAR THEY EXPECT SUBJECT TO BE DISCUSSED AND THEY WILL PROBABLY INSIST ON ITS BEING MENTIONED IN SOME FORM IN COMMUNIQUE.

(B) JOURNALISTS. FRG IS CONCERNED OVER SIGNS THAT YUGOSLAV AUTHORITIES ATTEMPTING TO INFLUENCE OR CONTROL REPORTING OF GERMAN JOURNALISTS IN YUGOSLAVIA. OUR CONTACT SAID TWO JOURNALISTS HAD BEEN SUMMONED TO MINISTER OF INTERIOR. COULD BELGRADE COMMENT FURTHER ON THIS?

3. THESE MATTERS, AMONG OTHERS, WILL BE DISCUSSED DURING BILATERAL POLITICAL CONSULTATIONS NEXT WEEK IN BONN.
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